

Washington, DC- In an effort to celebrate the diversity of our nation, Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez introduced a resolution today in the U.S. House of Representatives recognizing and protecting all symbols and traditions that Americans observe this time of year.

“I represent one of the most diverse Congressional Districts in the country,” said Congresswoman Sánchez. “I think it is very important that Congress, who represents people of all faiths and traditions, recognize the importance of all their holidays,” said Congresswoman Sánchez.

The resolution states “The House of Representatives recognizes the importance of the symbols and traditions of all Americans including observers of Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanza, Eid al-Adha, Lohri, Bodhi Day, the Birth of Guru Gobind Singh, Yule, Zarathosht Diso, Three Kings Day, the Feast of the Nativity, and other celebrations; strongly disapproves of attempts to ban references to these traditions and expresses support for these traditions and use of their symbols, for those who celebrate these holidays.”

Congresswoman Sánchez introduced the resolution after Representative Joann Davis (R-VA) introduced a similar resolution earlier in the week that only recognized the symbols and traditions of Christmas as those that should be protected and supported.

The resolution is cosponsored by Congresswoman Shelly Berkley. This measure, which is non-binding and does not carry the force of law, simply states Congressional support for the holiday symbols and traditions of all Americans.